

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 755

By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Bethany Necole Shepherd on her selection as Teacher of the Year at Lewis County Middle School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Shepherd is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Shepherd was recently named Teacher of the Year at Lewis County Middle School, an honor most befitting her distinguished tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Shepherd serves with acumen and alacrity as a seventh grade mathematics teacher and has spent ten exemplary years in the Lewis County School District; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Shepherd is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Shepherd truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Ms. Shepherd is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her seven children; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Shepherd truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest precepts of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Bethany Necole Shepherd on being chosen as Teacher of the Year at Lewis County Middle School, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.